

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

GATHERING

WELCOME

HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Come Thou Almighty King”

Charles Wesley, Felice de Giardini
arr. Adam Kunsberg

Come thou, almighty King, help us thy name to sing.
Help us to praise, Father all glorious,
O'er all victorious, come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword.
Our prayer attend, come and thy people bless,
And give thy word success, Spirit of holiness,
On us descend.

Come Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear.
In this glad hour, thou who almighty art,
Now rule in ev'ry heart, and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great one in three, eternal praises be.
Hence evermore, thy sov'reign majesty,
May we in glory see, and to eternity,
Love and adore.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

The Triune God calls his church to worship him

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

Everyone needs compassion
 A love that’s never failing
 Let mercy fall on me
 Everyone needs forgiveness
 A kindness of a Savior
 The hope of nations

*Savior, he can move the mountains
 My God is mighty to save
 He is mighty to save
 Forever, Author of salvation
 He rose and conquered the grave
 Jesus conquered the grave*

So take me as you find me
 All my fears and failures
 Fill my life again
 I give my life to follow
 Everything I believe in
 Now I surrender
 Yeah I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see
 We’re singing for the glory of the risen King..Jesus

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Acknowledging our sins before our Holy God and seeking his forgiveness in Christ

Father in heaven, we thank you for the freedom you have given us through the life, death and resurrection of your Son. But we confess today that we often live like slaves. Instead of living like you delight in us, we avoid you in shame and guilt. Instead of receiving your favor as a gift, we try to earn it with our efforts. Instead of accepting your freedom, we prefer our chains. Forgive us through the mercy of Christ and restore to us the full understanding of our status as your chosen children that we might live hereafter to please you, for this we pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord’s declaration of our freedom from the guilt of sin and punishment of God’s Law

PROCLAMATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Psalm 22:22–28

Mike Prather

I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: you who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him. From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him. The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Frances Ridley Havergal,
Henri Abraham Cesar Malan

Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use, ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love my Lord I pour, at thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be, ever only all for thee.
Ever only all for thee.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Colossians 3:18–4:1

pages 984–985, pew Bible

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Asking God's Spirit to illumine our hearts and minds for the understanding and application of his Word

SERMON

“Who’s the Boss?”
13th in the series, “Christ Preeminent”

Rev. Thomas Myrick

THE LORD’S SUPPER

HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Be Thou My Vision”

Brooke Norsworthy, Eleanor Henrietta Hull,
Grant Norsworthy, Mary Elizabeth Byrne

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High king of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heav’n’s sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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INVITATION TO TABLE

CONFESSION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

COMMUNION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SENDING

HYMN OF DEDICATION

“Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)”

Keith & Kristyn Getty,
Stuart Townend

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

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BENEDICTION

Pronouncing God's blessing on his people

If you have an offering, please leave it in the plate at the back of the Sanctuary.

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 20

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

“Sarah's Laughter”

Genesis 18:1–15

Dr. Robert Norris

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

“Continuing”

Colossians 4:2–6

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

*Service of Installation for Dr. Robert Norris
and Rev. Thomas Myrick as Associate Pastors.*

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